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About Your Medicine

PYRAZINAMIDE (peer-ra-ZIN-ah-mide) is used to treat tuberculosis (TB). IT is used together with one or more other medicines for TB..

Before Using This Medicine

Tell your doctor, nurse, and pharmacist if you:

- Have allergies
- Are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- Are breast-feeding
- Are taking any other prescription medicines including birth control pills and blood thinners
- Are taking any over-the-counter medicines such as cold medicines and pain relievers (Tylenol[®], Advil[®], Motrin[®], aspirin)
- Have any other medical problems, including diabetes, gout, alcohol use, liver disease, and kidney disease.

Take This Medicine:

- Exactly the way you were told to; DO NOT stop taking this medicine until you are told to do so, even if you feel better.
- With food or milk if it upsets your stomach.

Warnings

 Do not miss any doses if you miss a dose; take the missed dose as soon as you remember. Skip the missed dose if it is almost time for your next regularly scheduled dose, DO NOT take two doses at the same time.

- Do not share your medicine with others.
- Keep this and all other medicines out of the reach of children.
- Visit your doctor regularly.
- Store your medicine in a cool dry place, away from extreme heat or cold.
- If you think you have taken an overdose of this medicine, call your doctor.
- Limit the amount of alcohol you drink while on this medicine to avoid possible liver problems. Alcohol may also decrease the effectiveness of this medicine.

Possible Side Effects of This Medicine

- Nausea, vomiting, or loss of appetite
- Feeling unusually tired.

Call your doctor if you have any of these RARE side effects:

- Skin rash, severe itching, or hives
- Pain or swelling in your joints or muscles
- Fever or chills
- Yellowing of the skin or eyes
- Dark colored urine
- Increased sensitivity of your skin to sunlight.

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